

REMARKS

Claims 74-146 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 83-99 and 105 are rejected. Claims 86 and 93 are objected to and have been amended. Claims 83 and 89 also have been amended for clarity. Claims 74-82, 100-104 and 106-146 are cancelled.

Election/Restrictions

Applicant's election without traverse of Group II, Species C, claims 83-99 and 105 in the reply filed on 12 February 2008 is acknowledged by the Examiner. Applicants have cancelled non-elected claims 74-82, 100-104 and 106-146 in order to advance prosecution and obtain allowance of this application. Applicants preserves all rights under 35 U.S.C. § 121 with regard to the non-elected claims.

Priority

The Examiner acknowledges Applicant's claim for foreign priority based on an application filed in the United Kingdom on 02 July 2003. The Examiner states that Applicants have not filed a certified copy of the 0315477.0 application as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b).

Applicants respectfully submit that a certified copy of the priority document was already submitted to the International Bureau during the international phase of the PCT application from which this US application is derived. Applicants submit that the USPTO should have received a copy from the International Bureau. If necessary, Applicants will provide the Examiner with a copy of an official communication from the International Bureau confirming receipt by them of the certified copy of the priority document.

Oath/Declaration

The Examiner finds the oath or declaration to be defective and requires a new oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.67(a) identifying this application by application number and filing date as required by MPEP §§ 602.01 and 602.02. The specific defect identified by the Examiner involves non-initialed and/or non-dated alterations to the oath or declaration.

Applicants note that there are two of the separately signed and submitted declarations that have non-initialed and/or non-dated alterations. New declarations for

inventors Sirringhaus and Mignon are submitted herewith. The other declarations were properly executed and should be acceptable.

Claim Objections

Claims 86 and 93 are objected to because the claims have improper antecedent basis for "the first body" (not mentioned in independent claim 83). These defects have been remedied.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

Claims 83-99 and 105 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Sirringhaus et al. (US 2005/0151820) (hereinafter Sirringhaus). This rejection is traversed for at least the following reasons.

The Examiner notes that the Sirringhaus reference shares a common assignee with the present application. The Examiner further notes that the Sirringhaus reference constitutes prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), but that this rejection might be overcome by a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventor of this application and is thus not the invention "by another."

An appropriate Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is attached and demonstrates that the invention is not by another.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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